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Office Action Summary	Application No. 10/760,248	Applicant(s) SILVERBROOK, KIA	
	Examiner Laura E. Martin	Art Unit 2853	

-- The MAILING DATE of this communication appears on the cover sheet with the correspondence address --

Period for Reply

A SHORTENED STATUTORY PERIOD FOR REPLY IS SET TO EXPIRE 3 MONTH(S) OR THIRTY (30) DAYS, WHICHEVER IS LONGER, FROM THE MAILING DATE OF THIS COMMUNICATION.

- Extensions of time may be available under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a). In no event, however, may a reply be timely filed after SIX (6) MONTHS from the mailing date of this communication.
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- Failure to reply within the set or extended period for reply will, by statute, cause the application to become ABANDONED (35 U.S.C. § 133). Any reply received by the Office later than three months after the mailing date of this communication, even if timely filed, may reduce any earned patent term adjustment. See 37 CFR 1.704(b).

Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 03 February 2006.
- 2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
- 3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are pending in the application.
- 4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
- 5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
- 6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-4 is/are rejected.
- 7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
- 8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
- 10) ☒ The drawing(s) filed on 03 February 2006 is/are: a) ☒ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
- 11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
 3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

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| 1) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Notice of References Cited (PTO-892) | 4) <input type="checkbox"/> Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 103

The following is a quotation of 35 U.S.C. 103(a) which forms the basis for all obviousness rejections set forth in this Office action:

(a) A patent may not be obtained though the invention is not identically disclosed or described as set forth in section 102 of this title, if the differences between the subject matter sought to be patented and the prior art are such that the subject matter as a whole would have been obvious at the time the invention was made to a person having ordinary skill in the art to which said subject matter pertains. Patentability shall not be negated by the manner in which the invention was made.

Claims 1 and 2 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Silverbrook et al. (US 6775513) in view of Moore (US 5870117).

Silverbrook et al. teaches a printer cartridge for an inkjet printer including: a printing fluid storage (figure 3, element 8); a pagewidth printhead (figure 3, element 4) in fluid communication with the printing fluid storage (figure 4, elements 20a,b,c,d); and a shield (figure 1, element 5) extending the length of the printhead arranged alongside a printing surface (figure 1, element 4) so as to protect the printhead from contact with paper (figure 1, element 2), and further including an elongate body (figure 3, element 25) housing the printing fluid storage.

Silverbrook et al does not teach a cradle of an inkjet printer into which the printhead is placed.

Moore teaches a cradle of an inkjet printer into which the printhead is placed (figure 1, element 14).

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the printhead of Silverbrook et al. with the disclosure of Moore in

order to create a stable and secure means of stationing the printhead during a print job and allowing for easy replacement of printheads.

Claims 3 and 4 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Silverbrook et al. (US 6775513) and Silverbrook (6893109).

Silverbrook et al. teaches a printer cartridge for an inkjet printer (figure 1, element 1) including: a printing fluid storage (figure 3, element 8); a pagewidth printhead (figure 3, element 4) in fluid communication with the printing fluid storage (figure 4, elements 20a,b,c,d); and a shield (figure 1, element 5) extending the length of the printhead arranged alongside a printing surface (figure 1, element 4) of the printhead so as to protect the printhead from contact with paper (figure 1, element 2) upon insertion of the cartridge into a cradle of the inkjet printer, and further including an elongate body (figure 3, 2 element 5) housing the printing fluid storage and adapted to be received within the cradle of the inkjet printer. However, Silverbrook et al. does not teach the shield acting as a cover plate to seal an air duct of the printer cartridge.

Silverbrook teaches the shield acting as a cover plate to seal (figure 7, element 36) an air duct (figure 7, element 41) of the printer cartridge.

It would have been obvious to one of ordinary skill in the art at the time of the invention to modify the invention of Silverbrook et al. with that of Silverbrook in order to protect the printhead from damage.

Response to Arguments

Applicant's arguments with respect to claims 1-4 have been considered but are moot in view of the new ground(s) of rejection.

Conclusion

Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Laura E. Martin whose telephone number is (571) 272-2160. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday - Friday, 7:00 - 3:30.


If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Stephen D. Meier can be reached on (571) 272-2149. The fax phone

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number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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